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C O N F I D E N T I A L PRETORIA 3290

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SHUM, PINT,; *, WA

SUBJ: RECENT ARRESTS IN NAMIBIA

REF:W(A) STATE 204788

NI (B) PRETORIA 3268

1. PRETORIA SITREP REF B APPARENTLY CROSSED STATE INQUIRY BASED ON LUTHERAN COUNCIL INFORMATION. OUR SOURCE IN WINDHOEK, WHO IS USUALLY WELL INFORMED, HAS STRONG IMPRESSION THAT LOCAL REGULATIONS AND LAWS PERTAINING TO DISTURBANCE OF PEACE, ETC. ARE BEING APPLIED AND NOT REPEAT NOT TERRORISM ACT. ARRESTS IN OWAMBO APPEAR TO BE UNDER REGULATION 17.

2. WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT SAG IS APPLYING TERRORISM ACT AND, IF SO, WILL MAKE STRONG DEMARCHE ON ITS APPLICATION IN NAMIBIA.

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3. AMBASSADOR HAS REQUESTED APPOINTMENT WITH FOREIGN

MINISTER TO DISCUSS RHODESIA AND WILL ALSO REGISTER
INTEREST AND CONCERN AT NEWS OF ARRESTS IN NAMIBIA, ATTEMPT-
ING TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAQ INFORMATION.

4. TWO EMBOFS SCHEDULED TO VISIT NAMIBIA AND PROBABLY
OWAMBO BEGINNING SEPT 22, BUT WILL CONSIDER EARLIER TRIP TO
WINDHOEK DEPENDING ON DEVELOPMENTS IN NEXT FEW DAYS.
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